

WILLIS HEARD FROM

REPORTS IN CIPHER TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

BUT NOTHING IS MADE PUBLIC.

The Hawaiian Representatives, however, feel relieved since Willis presented his credentials to President Dole instead of to the queen—peculiar complications coming to light.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—The state department yesterday received a communication from Honolulu telegraphed from San Francisco. It arrived by the steamer China. It is written in the navy department cipher. Experts were set to work upon the dispatch and labored over it for several hours.

After securing the substance of the official communication Secretary Gresham took a copy of it out to Woodley for a conference over the matter with President Cleveland. Nothing was given out as to the substance of the dispatch.

F. P. Hastings, secretary of the Hawaiian legation, was shown the dispatch from San Francisco containing the news of Minister Willis' arrival in Honolulu and his appointment to present his credentials to President Dole. This news was obviously a great relief to the minds of members of the legation. They decided to talk about the matter as usual, but the satisfaction expressed at the presentation by Minister Willis of his credentials to President Dole suggested they might have feared the minister would be found to have been accredited to the queen.

The plan of the Hawaiian representatives evidently is to stand rigidly on the rights they have acquired by the recognition of their government. Minister Thurston touched the marrow of their hopes when he said that any attempt to overthrow the present government by a foreign power would be an act of war. An act of war requires the consent or declaration of congress. Congress will undoubtedly take no subject of Hawaii in some way involved in its disbanding in December. The fight, it is said, will be made on the administration policy on this line—that it has declared war without the consent of congress, and has therein done an unlawful act.

What effect it would have on this proposed policy if the present government should peacefully yield to the persuasions of the American minister is also discussed. The question involved is whether so peaceful a proceeding could be regarded as an act of war. It is argued that it would be an act of aggression on a foreign power, none the less because the power peacefully yielded to the threat of so overwhiningly superior a force. It still remains an unanswerable problem to those of diplomatic experience how the American minister accredited to the Hawaiian government can immediately upon presenting his credentials set about to destroy that government. This gives rise to many surmises, such as that the real policy pursued by the state department has not hitherto been announced at all, but that Secretary Gresham's report to the president was simply designed to give opportunity to read the public sentiment on the subject. It is not at all probable that this is true, but it shows the policy of the gresham report is considered so entirely extraordinary that incredulity and speculation cluster about it.

There is a surmise in Washington that the restoration of Liliuokalani to the throne may not follow by the entire withdrawal of the Hawaiian from the United States, but that with the work of the last administration once undone, a protectorate may be established over the monarchy. One clear and certain result of the present incident would seem to be annexation will never be proffered to the United States by the Hawaiians again. If there is ever to be annexation, the movement will originate in this country.

HAWAIIAN LEGATION.

Minister Thurston Returns to Washington to Await Developments.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Mr. L. A. Thurston, minister of the present government of Hawaii to the United States, returned to this city last night from Chicago. He was asked if he had anything to say in regard to the Hawaiian situation or Secretary Gresham's report upon it to President Cleveland. He replied: "I was interviewed in regard to that matter in Chicago on the 12 inst. and I do not at this time desire to enlarge upon those statements. I have no further information to give and I do not care to further discuss the matter at present."

He was informed the department of state had received a cipher dispatch from San Francisco which had arrived there by steamer from Honolulu. When asked if he knew anything of the contents of that dispatch he replied he had no information on the subject. He admitted he had received advices from the Hawaiian government by the China, but that he had not as much information as the press reports published.

Mr. Thurston was asked what course he proposes to pursue in view of the position his government is now placed. He replied he had not perfected his plans as yet. He thought he would be in Washington for several days yet, but intimated his duties might call him away at any time.

Mr. Thurston is quite a young man and strikes one as a man much accustomed to out of door life. He has been a prominent leader in what is known as the reform element, which has been in progress in the Hawaiian islands for a number of years past. He is one of the most influential of those who secured the reformed constitution from King Kalakaua in 1887. He is a natural orator, and the recent revolution in the island was due in no small part to his efforts. His father and mother were born in the islands and were children of the early missionaries who went out in sailing vessels from New England around Cape Horn. He also was born in the islands, and after being educated in the United States, studied law and commenced practice in Honolulu.

His secretary of legation, Frank P. Hastings, has lived in the islands for sixteen years past and married there. He was one of thirteen consular clerks who were sent out there that long ago by the state department as a Hawaiian as a civil service experiment. After marrying he became a Hawaiian citizen, and was identified with the Hawaiian government. He occupied a position in the foreign office of that

government. At the time of the revolution, he was chosen by President Dole as his chief of staff. He came here a few months ago.

W. C. Alexander, who is surveyor general of the islands and who is author of the standard history of them, is also at the legation. The legation is thus seen to be very well equipped in the crisis which has come upon it.

ADMIRAL SKERRETT ARRIVES.

He Declines to Talk of Hawaii or Express Any Opinion.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 14.—The steamer China did not dock until 10 o'clock yesterday morning, owing to the low tide. Among the passengers were Admiral Skerrett and family, Lieutenant Fox, his flag lieutenant and Secretary Wilson. The naval officers were greatly surprised when they heard the news of President Cleveland's decision with regard to Hawaii. They would not express an opinion of any kind. It would be contrary to naval etiquette to criticize the administration. The admiral stated that he had received a cable message to go to China, but was ordered to proceed first to San Francisco. Further orders will be received here.

The Hawaiians in San Francisco are wondering how the royalist faction obtains its inside news. From the day the queen was deposed, she and her supporters have never lost confidence in their cause. They have made predictions as to the action of the United States that have been invariably verified. And the annexationists in Honolulu when they heard the queen had ordered new uniforms for her retainers hardly knew what to think.

WILL REFUSE TO STEP DOWN.

Consul Wilder says the Provisional Government Will Protest Vigorously.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 14.—At the Hawaiian consulate in this city no word was received by the steamship China which would throw further light on the situation at the islands. Consul Wilder stated to a reporter that in case the administration should ask the provisional government to step down and out the request would not be granted, but in case the use of force should be threatened, the provisional government would have but one course to pursue. Resistance to the power of the United States would be useless, but it would protest with all its moral force against such a high handed outrage. Should a United States protectorate of the monarchy be withdrawn that monarchy would not last a day. Unquestionably the next revolution would not be as peaceful as the last and the monarchy would be overthrown once and for ever.

BIG FIRE AT MEMPHIS.

Several Persons Jump From a Third Story Window Severely Injured.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Nov. 14.—What promised to be one of the most destructive fires of late years was checked last night by the fire department after a heroic fight with the following losses: Schnitzler & Sons, company, building and stock, total loss, \$50,000; insured for \$50,000; Lemmon & Gable, wholesale dry goods, stock, \$180,000; building, \$135,000; loss on building by fire, \$7,000; loss on stock by water, \$100,000; insured for \$100,000.

The Young Men's Christian association had rooms in the Schnitzler building and several members found themselves hemmed in by the fire. Several jumped from the third story and were seriously and perhaps fatally injured, though no deaths have yet been reported.

Ohio Official Returns.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Nov. 14.—Based on full official returns from all except eight counties, and the pluralities of the Republican and Democratic parties in these eight, the prohibition vote in 64, and the Populist vote in 65 counties, the following totals are figured out: McKinley, 432,900; Neal, 352,000; Mackin, prohibition, 21,100; Bracken, Populist, 16,300. Total, 827,000. McKinley's vote was 16,800 over Harrison's in 1888 and 27,700 over it in 1892. The prohibitionists lost 4,000 and the Populists gained 1,400.

A New Version of the Strip Opening.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Captain J. S. Hassler, formerly chief clerk of the interior department and now receiver of the land office at Enid, Ok., is in Washington. He brings a new version of the complaints about the opening of the Cherokee Strip. The opening, he says was generally satisfactory, and the so-called complaints come from those who desire to make trouble and bring the administration into disrepute.

Glover is Awarded Damages.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 14.—The suit of John M. Glover, lawyer and congressman, against the American Casualty Insurance and Security company of Baltimore, Md., for \$150,000 damages for publishing him as an embezzler of \$20,000 in a circular, resulted in a verdict for \$27,000.

Quick Run of a War Vessel.

BOSTON, Nov. 14.—The new United States cruiser Columbia arrived in Boston harbor at 4 a. m. yesterday from Delaware breakwater, her run at sea being the quickest ever made by a war vessel in this country.

Bold Daylight Robbery.

PRINCETON, Ind., Nov. 14.—While W. T. Wade was at dinner yesterday thieves effected an entrance by breaking the glass out of the back door. They carried off thirty-one gold watches and a tray of diamond rings.

NEW RECEIVERS NAMED.

Messrs. Doane and Co. added to the Union Pacific Controllers.

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 14.—On application of the attorney general of the United States, through his special counsel, John G. Cowin, Judge Dundy of the United States district court this morning appointed J. W. Doane of Chicago and Frederick R. Covert of New York as additional receivers of the Union Pacific.

The petition filed was a lengthy one, covering fully the claims of the United States against the property of the road and the government's interests, which entitled it to a larger representation among the receivers.

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HAWAIIAN NEWS.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMER CHINA AT SAN FRANCISCO.

NOTHING STARTLING TO REPORT.

Minister Willis' Credentials to the Provisional Government Were to Have Been Presented Last Tuesday—Royalists Were Expecting the Queen to Be Restored—A Peculiar Anomaly.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 14.—The steamer China, which arrived yesterday morning from Honolulu, reports that up to the time it left there Minister Willis had not made known his instructions from President Cleveland and there had been no disorder of any kind.

The new minister arrived early on the morning of November 1 and went directly to ex-Envoy Blount's headquarters at the Hawaiian hotel. Last Monday morning he submitted to an interview. He said: "I am sorry I cannot say anything on the political question at the present time. In the course of the morning I intend to address your minister of foreign affairs asking when it will suit the convenience of President Dole to receive my credentials from the United States government. At the same time I shall send him a manuscript copy of the remarks I intend to deliver on the occasion of my presentation to him. This is my first experience in diplomatic matters, but I understand such to be the custom. Whenever the president notifies me of his readiness to receive me I shall be on hand. Under the circumstances it would be an act of discourtesy to the Hawaiian government to discuss the political situation at the present time."

President Dole promptly replied to Minister Willis' note and it was arranged that the United States envoy would present his credentials to the provisional government at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning. Tuesday morning Minister Willis was again interviewed and again declined to state whether he would do more than present his credentials on the occasion of his first meeting with the representatives of the provisional government. He positively declined to state when he would make his official communication from the United States government to the Hawaiian authorities. At the time of the last interview preparations were making for the sailing of the steamship for San Francisco. He even refused to say whether the exact nature of his mission to Hawaii would be made known before that date. The Australia should have sailed last Saturday. The steamer China put to sea between 11 o'clock and noon Tuesday morning.

Late Sunday night, November 5, there was a large gathering at the house of Mr. Widemann, one of the queen's supporters. The gathering was attended solely by men in sympathy with the cause of the ex-queen. The ex-queen had passed word around among her supporters that she was to be restored to the throne. Wednesday, November 8, the day following the departure of the steamer China for San Francisco, it was reported that the gathering at Mr. Widemann's house was of the nature of a jubilee.

The newspapers which support the monarchy lately have much to say about the political organization known as the American league. This is said to be a society composed of American residents of Honolulu, pledged to maintain the provisional government in all things except compromise with monarchy. The members are said to be pledged to armed support of the authorities against riot or insurrection pending the establishment of a stable government.

When Admiral Irwin arrived at Honolulu last Monday on the steamer China, accompanied by Lieutenants Adams and Parmenter, he immediately went on board the Philadelphia and was busy until Tuesday morning. Admiral Irwin, who was relieved by Admiral Irwin, and Lieutenants Wilson and Fox, also relieved, then took their formal farewells of President Dole and the provisional cabinet. They were accorded high honors.

Although Admiral Skerrett has never expressed an opinion on the situation or given any indication as to which side he sympathized with, he was highly esteemed by the officers of the provisional government. They look upon his removal at this time as an indication that the United States has come to a decision adverse to annexation. When Commissioner Blount fled himself in San Francisco at the Hawaiian hotel where the admiral was stopping, he called on the commander of the United States forces and introduced himself. The admiral said he was glad to meet a man so well known as Mr. Skerrett, who said he could not recognize Mr. Blount as a representative of the United States until he had produced his credentials. "My credentials are at my cottage," replied Mr. Blount.

"Then you had better go back and get them," the admiral is reported to have said. "I cannot recognize you until you have produced your credentials."

Mr. Blount recognized the justice of this position, but was, nevertheless, very angry. On this account the annexationists think he reported to the president that Skerrett was not the proper man to have in Honolulu in case he should decide to put the queen back on the throne.

It is the opinion of those who have come from Honolulu on the China that the annexationists will make no resistance if the United States orders the queen put back, but that this government will have to keep a force of men constantly on shore to maintain her on the throne and that will practically amount to an annexation with the singular anomaly of a territory of the United States governed by a woman who calls herself a queen.

The national soldiers' homes are overcrowded and no more veterans will be received at present.

Oklahoma Mission Funds Increased.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Nov. 14.—At today's session of the general Methodist Missionary society, in view of the largely increased population in Oklahoma, it was decided to devote \$15,000 to the work in the territory.

Senator Platt Loses His Wife.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Mrs. Platt wife of Senator Platt of Connecticut died of paralysis at the Arlington hotel at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon.

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MELLO AGAIN FIRES ON RIO.

Machine Rapid-Fire Guns Were Used With Telling Effect.

RIO JANEIRO, Nov. 14.—There was heavy firing on Sunday and Monday of last week by the government forces on Fort Villaigrama. The outside walls of the latter fort show much damage, but the interior of the town is intact. Two men were killed and seven wounded within the fort on Monday. The troops at Castillo opened a musketry fire on the above fort from a distance of 1,500 yards. The insurgent warship, Aquidaban, replied with machine guns, killing or wounding twenty soldiers and four spectators. The firing continued night and day, and there is an immense waste of ammunition. On Wednesday two guns at Castillo were fired at Fort Villaigrama and the Aquidaban again replied with her machine guns. Many shells fell in the business part of the city and several persons were injured.

The bombardment was, it is feared, the result of the action of the government in firing from the town contrary to the agreement with the representatives of the foreign powers. There are continual skirmishes as Nietheroy between the contending parties. A torpedo launch was sunk on Wednesday. The casualties have been slight, but several homes have been burned at Nietheroy.

A Fortune for Saving a Life.

MEXICO, Mo., Nov. 14.—Van Roberts, a hotel keeper at Rush Hill, Mo., has just received intelligence that he has fallen heir to \$500,000, he it being John Bennett, who has just died at Las Vegas, N. M. Roberts saved Bennett from drowning in the Sangamon River, near Deatur, Ill., twenty years ago, and \$500,000 is his reward.

Receiver for a Bank.

TOPEKA, Kan., Nov. 14.—The application of State Bank Commissioner Reidential for a receiver for the Bailey bank at Chanute was granted by Judge Stillwell at 10 a. m. Saturday night.

Dallas Makes an Offer.

DALLAS, Tex., Nov. 14.—Dick Flannagan, member of the Dallas Athletic club says that \$50,000 has been secured and donated to the Red Cross and has been raised for expenses for the Robert Mitchell fight to come to Dallas.

Find Ends in Death.

CALLAGHAN, Neb., Nov. 14.—As the result of a feud of several years' standing, H. C. West, a farmer of Grant Precinct, shot and killed his brother-in-law, Harley Millholland.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

World's fair exhibitors, who were awarded medals, are complaining of the delay in getting them.

M. Goerin, of the French cabinet, has resigned because of the premature publication of one of his reports.

Officer John O'Connor, custodian of the police department of Chicago, is under arrest charged with having stolen \$10,000.

Phil Evans, wife, mother and child, at Bardonia, Ky., have been found. They were spending the night with a friend when the explosion occurred which destroyed their home.

The two bodies found in a pond at Centerville, Ill., are those of Alex. McNeil and his son who were murdered in 1881.

Citizens of Enid, Ok., have made serious charges against the townsite board of that place and have petitioned for the removal of the members.

Ex-Congressman Culbertson, of Ashland, Ky., is strangely missing from his home. Cincinnati detectives have been employed in the search for him.

Two members of a desperate gang of outlaws, who attempted a robbery at Enid, Ok., were captured by a posse which had been in pursuit of them.

L. F. Menzies, president of the weekly Guaranty Loan company, of Minneapolis, who fled the country after the failure, has been located in Guatemala, and Secretary Gresham has wired Minister Young to have him placed under arrest at once.

A number of Populist leaders have united in a denunciation of Governor Leavelle, who, in view of her recent utterances, has been removed from her position as president of the state board of charities.

Frank A. Johnston, of Ohio, recently appointed American consul for the city of Mexico, Mexico, died of consumption at El Paso, Tex. He was on his way to take charge of the consulate.

The wife of Adam Bright, the Miami county, Ohio, farmer, who was fleeced out of \$4,500 by a burlesque man died from the shock caused by the loss. She had worked all her life to help earn the money.

Senator Romero, minister from Mexico at Washington, has filed a protest against members of the American legation at the City of Mexico taking a too active part in the work of securing a new concession for the Mexican lottery company.

The new submarine torpedo boat built by Richard Radatz was given a successful trial at Oshkosh, Wis. The boat is forty feet long and propelled and lighted by electricity. The boat carried three men and remained under water nearly an hour, under perfect control.

It has been almost an average lifetime since the close of the civil war, but medals for distinguished gallantry are at the ready date being granted by a grateful government.

The latest of these aged heroes, so to be honored is Major General Julius H. Stahl, United States volunteers, of New York.

At Kokomo, Ind., Davis Pearson, an old soldier, who had just drawn his quarterly pension of \$67, was called out of his home by four masked men, who gagged and blindfolded him, took him a mile away and lashed him to a tree, where he was found several hours later. The robbers secured all of the veteran's pension money.

THE FREE LIST MADE UP.

Silver, Lead Ore, Lumber, Salt, Wool, Iron Ore, Coal, and Pig Tin Included.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—The house ways and means subcommittee, engaged on the tariff schedule, has definitely decided upon placing on the free list, silver bearing lead ore, lumber, salt, wool, iron ore, coal and pig tin, and has decided in favor of reducing the tax on tin plates from 2-10 cents to 1 cent.

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